

ITEM: 5

SUBJECT: California Department of Fish and Game, American River Trout Hatchery/Nimbus Salmon and Steelhead Hatchery, Sacramento County- *Consideration of Mandatory Penalty Order and Consideration of NPDES Permit Revision*

DISCUSSION: The California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) operates the American River Trout Hatchery and the Nimbus Salmon and Steelhead Hatchery at one location adjacent to the American River downstream from Lake Natoma, several hundred yards west of Hazel Avenue in Sacramento County. The facility operates under NPDES Permit No. CA0004774, Order No. 97-241 that was adopted on 5 December 1997. The DFG violated effluent limits for total suspended matter, formaldehyde and dissolved oxygen between 1 January 2000 to 30 June 2000 resulting in a proposed Mandatory Penalty of \$12,000. The DFG has requested a revision of the Permit to modify an effluent limit and a chronic toxicity-monitoring requirement.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt proposed Mandatory Penalty for \$12,000 and the Revision to the NPDES Permit.

Mgmt. Review _____

Legal Review _____